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## PACIFIC REGION CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

**SACRAMENTO** -- The USDA-NASS, Pacific Regional Office today released the crop production forecast for October. The latest survey, which was conducted during the last week of September and the first week of October, included the following commodities:

**Cotton** – In California, Upland cotton is forecast at 160 thousand bales, down 25 percent from last year. Pima cotton in California is forecast at 356 thousand bale, down 29 percent from last year.

**Oranges** - The 2015-16 California orange crop is forecast at 105 million cartons. California's Navel orange forecast is 86.0 million cartons tons), unchanged from the previous forecast but up 9 percent from last season's final utilization. California's Valencia orange forecast is 19.0 million cartons. Valencia oranges were still being picked into September. Navel oranges continued to mature.

**Others Crops** – The grapefruit forecast is 7.0 million cartons; lemon forecast is 39.0 million cartons; tangerine and mandarin forecast is 38.0 million cartons; pecan production forecast is 4.4 million pounds. The corn for grain production forecast is 337 thousand tons, down 23 percent from 2014; alfalfa hay production is forecast at 5.33 million tons, down 6 percent from 2014; other hay production is projected at 1.37 million tons, down 20 percent from the previous year; dry edible bean production is expected to be 935 thousand cwt. in California, down 10 percent; the rice crop forecast is 32.9 million cwt., down 11 percent and the sunflower forecast is 40.4 million pounds, down 34 percent from last year. Sugarbeet forecast is 1.11 million tons, up 10 percent from 2014.

The Nevada alfalfa hay production is forecast at 1.03 million tons, down 12 percent from 2014.

The Hawaii sugarcane production forecast is 1.47 million tons, up 12 percent from the previous year.

Production forecasts are released on a monthly basis and do not reflect final production estimates. Late summer and fall harvests may change these estimates considerably. The next production forecast will be issued November 10, 2015.

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